LAKEWOOD IN MIDWINTER.

WHEELMEN AND GOLFERS MAY ENJOY THE ABSENCE OF SNOW.

THE COUNTRY CLUB DANCE AND DINNER-A HANDICAP AT THE LINKS-A PIGEON SHOOT-SOCIAL FUNCTIONS-COMING GUESTS.

skewood, N. J., Jan. 9 (Special).-The usual culet has followed the holiday gayety at this village in the pines. The snow is gone, leaving the golf links in fine condition, to the great satisfaction of the impatient players, and wheelmen may again enjoy the roads,

Social affairs of the week have centred in a neasure about the Country Club. The dinner and dance last Saturday night were in all things the most successful since these pleasant features were established at the club. About fifty of the club members and their friends drove over, and the steward was obliged to place tables in the main hallway, but they were removed before the dance. Among those who were present with parties were Mr. and Mrs. George J. Gould, Mr. and Mrs. James Converse, Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Lynch, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight M. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Kerr and Mr. and Mrs. Francis A. Walthew, After the dance Mr. and Mrs. Walthew, who had

their guest B. Spalding de Garmendia, entertained a company of friends at a chafing-dish supper at their cottage in Madison-ave. There was some very enjoyable music, including the solos sung by George R. Sheldon and J. Borden Harri-

On Thursday Mrs. Walthew gave a delightful party for children at the Country Club to celebrate the fifth birthday of her little daughter. Miss technique Physiks Walthern The Archivers Physiks Walthern The Archive The Katherine Phyllis Walthew. The club orchestra layed for the children to dance and march, and ach received pretty favors, souvenirs and prizes rom the dances, supper and Jack Horner pie. There were two cakes at supper-one for boys, with a ring, and another for girls, with a this gold thimble. The children asked by little Miss Waithew were Dolly and Louise Lynch, Marjorie Vivien, Kingdon and Jay Gould, Gladys Stewart, Hope and Arthur Hamilton, James Converse, Jr., Katherine and Robert Kerr, Dwight Harris, Louise

Ratherine and Robert Kerr, Dwight Harris, Louise and Julia Freeman, Beatrice Claffin and Willie, Reese and Jack Carpenter.

Sunday afternoon a number of the cottagers drove out to the Country Club with their guests for afternoon tea, including Mr. and Mrs. Dwight M. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Lynch, whose party in for afternoon tea, including Mr. and Mrs. Dwight M. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Lynch, whose party in-cluded Mrs. J. H. Stewart, who is here to spend the winter with her mother, Mrs. Edward L. Harding, and Dr. and Mrs. Isaac H. Platt, who had Mr. and Mrs. George B. Glover, of New-York, as

Mrs. Kingdon left Lakewood on Thursday for Toronto, where she will visit her sister, Mrs. Brum-ell, returning in about two weeks.

Miss Kate Somers, of South Orange, who left

ood last spring to go abroad with Mr. and Wrs. Maxwell Wyeth, has returned to spend the winter at the Laurel House.

rch and charity affairs claimed attention to the extent of three meetings this week. On Monday the Woman's Aid Society of All Saints' Memorial arch held its January meeting in the parish se. Mrs. W. R. Bynner presided in the ab-ce of Mrs. K. T. Hurlburt, the president. The usiness transaction was in regard to the chief husiness transaction was in regard to annual sale of the society. A "Martha Washington tea party" is announced for February 20. The Women's Auxiliary of the same church held a neeting at the rectory on Wednesday. Letters read from the clergyman at San Antonio, to Christmas box was sent, expressing his to Mrs. Kingdon, the president, and the of the society. Several new members were added at this meeting, and it was decided to end another box about the middle of February to Western bishop for distribution in his diocese The Tuesday Sewing Club resumed its meetings is week at the home of Mrs, Charles H. Glover,

entirely away, but a number went over to the Country Club links last Friday to play the first time in the weekly handicap for the cup presented by James Converse. Arthur B. Claffin won, with net score of 98 and a handleap of 8. Mr. Claffin also wen the same cup again on Thursday, when his net score was 92, with a handicap of 6. Mrs. E. Robbins Walker and Mrs. Frank Morgan Freeman were the first contestants in the weekly ladies' open handicap for the cup presented by Arthur B. Claffin at the Country Club on Tuesday. Mrs. Walker won, and the cup has been displayed this week in the office of the Laurel-in-the-Pines. It is a remarkably pretty cut-glass claret jug, with the silver top richly ornamented with a rosecovered fields at the Golf Club on Saturday, when weekly handleap centests for "The Times" and "Journal" cup were resumed. Beverly Ward won, with a score of 98, from scratch. On Monday was an example of fine golf at the same links. "Willie" Norton, the greenkeeper, and Alfred L. Norris, of the Dyker Meadow Club, played a match of nine holes. Norton won, with a score 38-establishing a new record over that of 39, Thursday morning Jasper Lynch and Harry Rawlins, the brother of Horace Rawlins, greenkeeper at the Country Club, played a foursome against Dr. Paul T. Kimball and "Willie" Norton. The first-named pair won by 5 up and 4 to play. There is a long list of entries for to-day's

The first pigeon shoot of the season took place at the traps of the Country Club on last Friday. Fred Hoey, of Hollywood, beat W. Gould Brokaw at two matches of ten and twenty-five birds respectively. On Saturday Dwight M. Harris, Dudley H. Fanning, F. A. Walthew, Gould Brokaw and Fred Heey shot for a cup presented by the club. Mr. Harris was successful in the final shoot between himself and Mr. Walthew. Hoey then beat Brokaw in a match of 100 birds, killing eighty-three to Brokaw's eighty-one. In all probability there will be another shoot to-day.

At the Laurel-in-the-Pines there was a very bright dance last Saturday night, since a large number of young people who came for the ball remained over Sunday. Sunday evening there was a fine programme of music for the concert; the singing of hymns was alternated with instrumental solos by the members of the orchestra, including Hegner's "La Separation," for 'cello, played by Carl Oeterberg. Riding parties have furnished amusement for the guests who have hunters here while waiting for the ground to soften sufficiently for jumping. ortland: Parker, Mrs. Parker and R. M. Parker,

of Newark, are among recent arrivals,

The Wadnesday concert at the Laurel House brought about the usual crowded corridor; guests and cottogers enjoyed the fine programme, including a violin solo played by Louis G. Eaton. A new number of "Laurel Leaves" made its appearance that morning. On Saturday night John J. Carle, of New-York, gave a Welsh rabbit party for a number of friends, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. James Mc-Lean, Miss Andrews, Mrs. F. B. Ciarke, Miss Carle, Alexander V Roe, T. J. Beckwith, and Ernest H loyd. At the conclusion of the service of song on Sunday evening, W. F. Tooker, the tenor of the their of the Forty-eighth Street Reformed Church, and W. P. O'Connor sang. Dr. E. G. Janeway, of New-York, lunched with Dr. Irwin H. Hance, at the Laurel House on Wednesday. Professor Henry G. Jesop, of Dartmouth College, is among the promi-

At the Lakewood Hotel tally-ho parties have formed a share of the jastime. Mr. and Mrs. Archer Pancoast, of New-York took a party out Sunday, including Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Adams, jr., Miss Florence Adams, Miss Jeannette Edson and Harry S. Kelty, J. Watson Hall's party was formed by Miss Hidden, Miss W. L. Hidden and Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Duffy. H. P. Brookman, of Brooklyn, had as his guests Mrs. H. D. Breckman, Gould Brokaw, F. M. Gould, C. P. Oswald and N. J. Morgan. On Sunday evening the office wis a bright scene for the concert. Mile, Nina Bertiri Humphreys and Signor concert. Mile, Nina Bertin Humphreys and Signor Tagliapietra both sang in ine voice, and responded generously to demands for encores. The instrumental solos were also very enjoyable, notably that played by Carl Wenzel, the second violin, who has joined the orchestra for the remainder of the season. George R. Sheldon entertained Mr. and Mrs. George J. Gould and J. Borden Harriman at luncheon in the private diningroom on Saturday. Mrs. Edward Kearney and Miss Florence Learney entertained a company of friends at a charing dish supper at the Lakewood Hotel on Friday evaning.

Last Saturday evening, at the Palmer House, there was a progressive euchre party followed by dancing. Attractive prizes were won by Mrs. J. W. Concklin, of Brooklyn, Mrs. J. S. Gulterz, of Bloomfield, N. M. Daly, of New-York, and W.H. Wood, of Jersey City.

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A. A. Anderson, the artist, is mong the many recent arrivals at the Lakewood Fotel.

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Senator Sewell, and her two daughters, Mrs. C. L.

Borie and Miss Sewell, of Camdon, arrived on Monday, in their private car, for a tray at the Laurel
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NEW-YORK PEOPLE AT HOT SPRINGS.

Hot Springs, Va., Jan. 9 (Special).-This beautiful grown to be one of the chief rendezvous for New-Yorkers. In the corridors of the New Homestead Hotel and on the golf links many New-York people may be met daily. Manager Sterry has left no stone unturned in providing amuse-ments for his guests. The golf links are adjudged to be among the best in the country. Among the New-Yorkers recently registered at the New Homestead Hotel are Judge Ashbel! Green, Miss Annabell Green, Mrs. J. Pierpont Mergan, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Marquand, Colonel and Mrs. A. P. Ordway, Deane Miller and Robert N. Carleton and his fam-

THE PRINT-CLOTH MARKET.

Fall River, Mass., Jan. 9 (Special). - The report of smaller total of sales than was anticipated-only 65,000 pieces. All of these were odds and the greater part spots. The goods were sold in small lots. for delivery. The market is still quoted as nominally at 2½ cents, and the prices received for odds are fully as low as that. The market is very dull. The only bidding is for small lots of special odds, and the manufacturers meet this bidding only or not at the prevailing figures. There were good deliveries of regulars on contracts in the week, and the stock was cut down 12,000 pieces. The stock of 000; deliveries, 212,000. Stocks, 1,759,000; odds, 901,000; 64x64s, 855,000; last week's stock, 1,771,000. Sales, 65,000; odds, 65,000; spots, 54,000; futures, 11,000. Sold for weekly delivery in January, 149,000 pieces; February, 56,000; March, 19,000; April, 5,000; May, 3,000; June, 3,000. Market nominal at 2½ cents.

MAY GO TO WASHINGTON TO PARADE. James A. Blanchard, Henry L. Einstein, William Brookfield, William Leary and Morumer C. Addoms have been appointed a committee of the Republican Club to report whether the club should attend the inauguration of William McKiniey in a body. Members are desired to send word to Mr. Blanchard, at the club, No. 459 Fifth-ave., whether they want to go

LAST YEAR'S FIRE LOSSES.

Pire insurance men in this city have said that the losses by fires throughout the United States have been several million dollars less in 1896 than in any of several recent years. The fact is regarded as somewhat remarkable on account of the depression in business during 1896 and the temptation to destroy insured property. Last year was, therefore, a year of great prosperity for the fire insurance companies.

NEW YEAR'S TRIP TO BEECHWOOD HOTEL. There was a successful New Year's excursion to the Beechwood Hotel, at Summit, N. J. The party gave a ball on New Year's eve, and in the daytime enjoyed such outdoor sports as the weather per-Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Clifford L. Lutkins, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Topping, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Topping, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse W. Johnson Mr. and Mrs. Warren S. Sillcocks, Miss Susanne W. McWilliams, Miss Rena E. Wilson, Miss Caroline F. Sunner, Miss Jane A. Lutkins, Edward W. Ditmars, P. W. Blossom, of Brooklyn, and Everett N. Bianke, of New-York.

COURT CALENDARS FOR MONDAY.

Appellate Division—Supreme Court—Recess until Tuesday, January 12, at 1 p. m.
Supreme Court—Special Term—Part I—Before Beach, L-Motion calendar called at 10:30 a. m.
Supreme Court—Special Term—Part II—Before Law-sence, J.—Court opens at 10:30 a. m. Ex parts matters. Supreme Court—Special Term—Part III—Before Iruna, L.—Motions, Demurrers: Nos. 301, 331, 338, 326, 322, 326 ferred causes: Nos. 8679, 3929, 4093, 4049, 4118, 4063. Tear.

Clear.
Suprems Court—Special Term—Part IV—Before Beck—
man, J.—Law and fact: Nos. 3117, 3887, 3281, 3620, 2859,
3134, 3297, 3669, 3216, 2816, 3878, 3881, 3370, 3856, 3857,
3862, 3965, 3866, 3869, 3874, 3979, 4020, 3886, 3843, 3890,
3862, 3864, 3870, 3877, 3881, 4041, 4062, Clear,
Supreme Court—Special Term—Part V—Before Pryor,
J.—Causes to be sint from Part IV for Irial. Case unmissing the court—Special Term—Part V—Before Pryor,
J.—Causes to be sint from Part IV for Irial. Supreme Court-Special Term-Part VI-Before Mc-Laughlin, J.-Causes to be sent from Part IV for trial. Case unfinione d. Supreme Court—Special Term—Part VII—Adjourned until Monday, January 18, 1897.
Supreme Court—Special Term—Part VIII—Adjourned

until Monda, Jahan Special Term—Part VIII—Adjourned Supreme Court—Special Term—Part II—Before Freed-Supreme Court—Trial Term—Part II—Before Freedman, J.—Preferred causes: Nos. 9611, 2618, 3619, 10057, 10063, 10052, 10014, 5871, 9419, 6284, 10628, 1063, 10191, 10063, 10052, 10014, 1888, 2657, 10020, 10197, 9314, 9705, 9807, 10192, 10012, 10009, 2614, 1951. Clear.
Supreme Court—Trial Term—Part III—Before Gilder—Supreme Court—Trial Term—Part III—8, 4684, 3657, sleeve, J.—Nos. 4547, 4539, 3371, 4524, 4682, 4683, 357, sleeve, J.—Nos. 4547, 4539, 5319, 5262, 5289, 5290, 5334, 2311, 4337, 5407, 5416, 5430, 5408, 5408, 5499, 5525. Inquest: No. 5210. Case undin-5439, 5468, 5499, 5525. Inquest: No. 5210. Case undin-5439, 5468, 5499, 5525.

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Supreme Court—Trial Term—Part IV—Before Sedgwick,
—Causes to be sent from Part III for trial. Clear.
—Supreme Court—Trial Term—Part V—Hefore Daly, J.—
Supreme Court—Trial Term—Part V—Hefore Daly, J.—
Supreme Court—Trial Term—Part VI—Before Bookstaver, J.—Causes to be sent from Part III for trial.

Clear. Supreme Court.—Trial Term.—Part VII.—Before Giegerich, J.—Nos. 8821, 1834, 3484, 4043, 4044, 3041, 3944, 4232, 4761, 3903, 4689, 4451, 5167, 5176, 5225, 5383, 5391, 5393, 5593, 5593, 5593, 5693, 5697, 5698, Inquest: No. 5384, Case un-Supreme Court—Trial Term—Part VIII—Refore Dugro,
—Causes to be sent from Part VII for trial. Case un-Supreme Court—Trial Term—Part IX—Before Bischoff,
J.—Causes to be sent from Part VII for trial. Clear.
Supreme Court—Trial Term—Part X—Before McAdam,
—Causes to be sent from Part VII for trial. Clear.
Supreme Court—Trial Term—Part XI—Before MacLean,
—Causes to be sent from preferred calendar for trial.
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ear. Supreme Court—Trial Term—Part XII—Before Barnard. -Causes to be sent from preferred calendar for trial. orrogate's Court—Chambers—Before Arnold, S.—Court is at 10:30 a. m. No day calendar. Wills for pro-is Sarah Davidson, Bernhard Buchelberger, Benjamin Lamater, Helen S Inglis, W. H. McVicker, Catherine Jammann, at 10:30 a. m.; Solomon McLaughlin, at 2 regate's Court—Trial Term—Before Flizgerald, S.— 1241, 1240, 1243, 1245, 1246, 1164, 1244, 1247, 1155, r Court—Special Term—Before Schuchman, J.—Court at 19 a. m. Motions at 10:30 a. m. Court—Trial Term—Part 1—Before Van Wyck, C. os. 1439, 2222, 452, 1428, 1451, 3337, 1058, 1888, 1204, 510, 140, 1444, 2883, 239, 1389, 1408, 1445, 527, 3904, 1403, 480, 2523, 135, 134, 137, 1441, 1442, 1383. Case shed.

IN THE CYCLING WORLD. FEW DIAMOND FRAMES FOR WOMEN

SOLD.

THE OTHER STYLE PREFERRED BY NEARLY ALL-A DOUBLE-LOOP TANDEM-PROPOSED

BRIDGE OVER CONEY ISLAND CREEK While cycling was possible a fortnight ago, only the most venturesome cared to go forth last Sunday, and those who did so in the fog and mud returned thoroughly saturated from the effects of both species of moisture. The soft weather, however, made an end of the snow, and the mud rapidly dried up with the change of atmospheric onditions on Tuesday night, so that by Wednesday everything was in good shape for wheeling. Asphalt pavements were never better, and park roads and other favorite highways were in a fairly good state, though somewhat rough. Despite the keenness of the air at times, the last four days have been delightful for cyclists, and thousands have made the most of the unexpected opportunity. Those who put away their wheels for the winter a month ago now realize what a mistake it was to suppose that wheeling would be ended by the first snowfall. A year ago, it will be recalled, there was excellent riding until after New Year's, and many records were greatly advanced by the opportunities for getting out of doors afforded by the good weather of December: Christmas Day was fine for wheeling, and the same was true of New Year's, albeit the weather then was somewhat cold. Two years ago no snow fell until the day after Christmas. Not in many years has there been so disagreeable a December as that of 1896, and the present January has already made a record in the other direction. roads and other favorite highways were in a

There will be great disappointment if positive action is not taken by the Legislature looking to the improvement of the highways of the State. districts" to appreciate the advantages of good highways that the bill introduced was so greatly altered and emasculated that little regret was caused by its failure to pass. Another attempt to secure legislation will be made this winter, and apparently with better prospects of success While much work needs to be done by the State, there is no reason why the cities should wait for State action before proceeding on their own account. New-York, for exemple, has abundant opportunities close at hand. The roads in the upper part of this town are in wretched condition as a rule, and riding over them is anything but agreeable. Why should not the Greater New-York be surrounded with pleasant and delightful drives in all directions, as Boston is? In that city and its suburbs cyclists are not under the necessity of going constantly over the same road or set of roads, as is practically the case in New-York and Brooklyn. Some gain has been made here in the last year or two, but there is plenty of room for further improvement. More asphalt While much work needs to be done by the State of room for further improvement. More asphalt is steadily being supplied in the city proper; more smooth ways are greatly needed as the outer limits of the metropolis are approached.

Two or three years ago a man connected with a large bicycle establishment remarked in conversation that he believed the time would soon come-and the limit he set was three or four that his prediction is coming true. On the contimes termed "rational costume" for women has had its day and is on the decline in this country Observation during last year showed fewer direction may be obtained by inquires at the headquarters of the principal bleyele companies. The question, "Is there any demand for diamond frames for women?" was asked at several of these places yesterday, and brought forth practically the same answer every time. Said one of those questioned: "No, there is scarcely any demand at all. So far as I can judge, I should say there is a smaller demand this year then there was last and less then then in the should say there is a smaller demand this year than there was last, and leas then than in the year before. Our women haven't taken to trousers or divided skirts. With frames made as they now are, there is no reason why they should. The loop frame is very stiff and practically as rigid as the diamond; in fact, the loop has a tendency to take up the vibrations. Besides, a woman riding such a wheel is able to get off much quicker in case of an emergency. Women are not in the habit of swinging their feet around as men are, and consequently when mounted on a diamond frame they cannot get off so quickly and easily as a man can. I should say that not one woman in fifty of those who come in here looking for bicycies even suggests a diamond frame as a possibility."

At another store the answer returned to a is certainly no increase in the demand for diamond frames for women. Heretofore we have made a special wheel to meet whatever demand existed, but we are not going to do so any more. The special wheel was twenty-one and a half inches in height of frame, and was fitted with twenty-six-inch wheels. Hereafter we shall offer our regular twenty-two-inch frame to any woman who wants to ride a diamond. It is surprising that women five feet and an inch or two in height can take so high a frame, but it is a fact that they can. But few women are willing to adopt the man's wheel, and what is virtually the man's costume, too. There is no reason for them to do so, now that drop frames are so well made and are almost as light as diamonds. As far as danger is concerned, there is monds. As far as danger is concerned, there is less danger to a woman on a drop frame. Unless her skirt is needlessly long there is almost no possibility of its getting caught in the wheel or sprockets, and certainly she can dismount from such a wheel more easily than from a diamond frame. She can also mount more easily, as any man who has ever learned to mount a woman's wheel woman fashion knows. As far as the manufacturers are concerned, they would be glad to see all women riding diamonds, for then they would have to get out only one pattern, but their object is to meet the demands of purchasers, and the number of drop frames will be larger this year than ever." larger this year than ever.

At still another place the attendant was asked if a special wheel was made for the use of women wishing to ride diamond frames. "No," was the reply, "we never have made a special wheel for that purpose. The demand has never been large enough to justify it. Few women been large enough to justify it. Few women want that sort of wheel, anyway. For those who do our road racer, with a low frame, is the right thing. The only tendency I can see in the direction of women wearing the bloomer costume is in the case of those who ride tandems, some of whom prefer to ride in the same way that men do. The great majority of women do not like that style, however, and the boom for the rational dress, started two or three years ago, has undoubtedly spent its force. The woman's wheel of the future will be the drop or loop frame, at least in this country."

The interest in tandem riding is evidenced by the fact that some bicycle concerns which have been in the business several years are now making tandems for the first time. The most popular tandem appears to be the combination frame-that is, with a diamond in the rear and a loop in front. One company makes a doubleloop tandem, but it has not been widely used, and other manufacturers are not likely to take up the idea. There has been considerable talk about the position which a woman should take when riding a tandem with a male escort—
whether she should occupy the front or rear
seat. Combination tandems are constructed on
the theory that the woman shall ride in front,
and the arguments in favor of that position are
too strong to be successfully controverted. It
is the rider who occupies the rear seat who
mounts last and gets the machine under way.
This is plainly the man's duty. The only important question remaining is that of steering.
A woman accustomed to riding a single wheel
is naturally inclined to steer when she first
mounts a tandem, but after a little experience
she becomes willing to trust to the stronger
hand in the rear, although it is obvious that at
times she may see an obstacle that might escape
the other's eye. If the drop frame half of the
tandem should be placed in the rear it would
become the woman's duty to hold the machine
while the man was mounting, and then to mount
herself and make the start, which would certainly be an awkward and inconvenient arrangement.

There will certainly be the heartiest approval when riding a tandem with a male escort-

for the construction of a bridge across Coney sland Creek to connect the Island with the Bensonhurst and Bath Beach region. At present there is no way of getting across the creek near the western end of the island except by walking over a railroad bridge and riding along the railroad track for some distance. Some cyclists have done this occasionally, so as to wold returning over the customary route to the sland by the Ocean Parkway, but the great maority invariably come back the same way they go down. With the proposed bridge there will go down. With the proposed bridge there will be a direct connection from the island to Cropsey-ave. and thence to Twenty-second-ave. Eighteenth-ave. and Seventh-ave., and in time to the fine Shore Drive. In few other ways can a small expenditure produce more important results. The need of a bridge here has long been apparent, and a measure to provide for one was introduced in the last Legislature. It contained what looked like a job, however, and did not become a law. The present bill has the approval of the Brooklyn authorities, and probably will meet with no opposition. The bridge cannot be built too soon.

Mention was recently made in this column of method adopted by some winter riders to guard against slipping of tires on snow and ice by wrapping canvas or muslin around tire and rim and sewing it fast. Another plan to accomplish the same thing is to wind heavy twine around the tires at points about as far apart as the spokes. To an extent both of these things serve to protect the tires from injury, but really there is very little danger of a tire being torn or punctured by contact with rough and broken ice.

With the larger sprockets that are coming into use there is a movement in the direction of using longer cranks. Instead of six and onehalf inches, which has been the customary length, many riders are providing themselves length, many riders are providing themselves with seven-inch cranks. It is said that the extra half-inch makes pedalling easier on ordinary roads, but the larger circle through which the foot passes will tell in the other direction in nill-climbing. A rider who has tried the longer cranks on his new mount reports a strain on the thigh muscles in a new place, which was a surprise to him, a rider of several years' experience.

of the League is not large at present, for this is the dull season in all wheeling matters, with the exception, of course, of the preparations for the Cycle Show, to be held a month hence. In a recent list, however, is found the name of George E. Waring, jr., of No. 175 Second-ave., this city. The Commissioner of Street Cleaning has long been known as an advocate of the bicycle, and obliges a large number of his subordinates to go about the city on business on wheels. He is a welcome addition to the seventy-odd thousand wheelmen who are banded together for the protection of their rights, the securing of good roads and the advancement of the interests of cycling generally.

without difficulty, either following the directions of a guide-book or on information gleaned from other sources, is not always able to make the return trip successfully. A fork in the road, which was unnoticed going in one direction, may prove a source of serious embarrassment on the return. In truth, so rapid is the progress usually made on a bicycle that it is impossible to get more than a cursory glimpse of the country one passes through and a ride over the same road in the opposite direction has almost as large are in the opposite direction has almost as large an element of novelty as if the landscape had never been seen before. But one should beware of thinking that he is thoroughly familiar with a road, unless it is macadamized or an established pike, because he has travelled over it once.

A wheelman who has gone over a certain route

lar cycling organizations of the Harlem district, recently removed from its old quarters at No. 158 Boulevard to No. 59 West One-hundredand-fourth-st., which was formerly occupied by the Riverside Republican Club. The house, which is roomy and well adapted to club purposes, has been completely refitted, and the members of the club now have an admirable place to discuss cycling topics and prepare for the outdoor season of 1897. The club was organized in 1892, with twelve members, and since then it has grown steadily, until now it has an active membership of about one hundred and fifty. The members take a great deal of interest in all that pertains to cycling, and the walls of the club parlors are hung with trophies given for century runs, parades and similar affairs. The officers of the club are: President, Charles Haynes; vice-president, William Lenycraft; treasurer, Thomas Donohue; recording secretary, T. Burton; financial secretary, Albert Runkel; sergeant-at-arms, Wells Mantl. The air was rather sharp and biting on Friday.

but there were a good many wheelmen and some wheelwomen abroad in the upper part of the city. It is no exaggeration to say that no one of the question on the subject was as follows: "There | who started to ride over the Brooklyn Bridge on one of the old-fashioned high wheels, sometimes spoken of as "ordinaries." He entered the south roadway of the Bridge soon after noon. Where he came from no one seemed to know, but no sooner had he headed his machine in the direction of Brooklyn than a curious crowd collected at the entrance of the roadway and gazed openmouthed after him until a turn in the road hid the rider from view. His progress up the incline was somewhat slower than that of one riding a safety bicycle would have been. The wheel which he rode had an appearance of newness and smartness not to be looked for in an "ordinary." It was nickel-plated throughout, and glistened bravely in the bright sunshine. The rider was dressed in dark clothing and wore an Alpine hat. But for the slowness with which he proceeded, it might have been supposed that he was showing some modification of the old-style "ordinary" having alleged superiority to the type of bleycle now so widely popular. tion of Brooklyn than a curious crowd collected now so widely popular.

HORSE AND CARRIAGE TRADE NOTES.

Mr. Innis, of the Studebaker Brothers Manufacturpany, in Canal-st., near Broadway, says their removal sale is proving a great success. Special cut prices prevail in all departments, carriages, delivery and express wagons, trucks, harness, horse goods, etc. The firm expects to move to its new quarters

at Broadway and Prince-st. about January 15.
William H. Gray, of Nos. 20 and 22 Wooster-st., is showing a full line of wagonettes, opera busses and broughams. Among the latter are a number of light weights suitable for one horse. In the sleigh department there are a number of four-passenger family sleighs, elegantly upholstered in silk plush of various

seigns, eleganty uphoistered in sike plush of various colors, which are priced very low.

Edward Callanan's Son, of No. 57 West Forty-fourth-st., reports a number of sales in the last week.

He has a fine assortment of family sleighs and cutters, handsomely trimmed and painted. Downey, Duncan & White, of the late J. B. Brew-

Downey, Duncan & White, of the late J. B. Brewster & Co. Nos. 437 and 489 Fifth-ave., and No. 143 West Fifty-first-st., have started the new year with a fair amount of business. This firm is one of the few carriage houses which made money in 1895, and naturally they feel somewhat proud of their good showing. Messrs. Downey, Duncan & White have worked hard for the business that they have done, They have raised up for themselves many friends that will be of benefit to them in 1897. They look for improved conditions in the spring trade and have a large and varied stock in anticipation of it.

The big carriage house of Van Tassell & Kearney in Thirteenth-st., near Third-ave., reports a marked improvement in business since January 1. The demand for broughams, coupe rockaways and other seasonable carriages is brisk. The firm's large stock includes many special bargains in second-hand vehicles which are ready for immediate use.

Flandrau & Co., Nos. 372, 374 and 376 Broome-st., are doing a fair business for this season, and look for better times as the season advances. The firm is exhibiting a large stock of high-class carriages, of the latest pattern and in various styles of finish and painting.

A MOCK TRIAL OF BENEDICT ARNOLD. The next monthly meeting of the Empire State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution will be held at the Hotel Normandle on Wednesday evening, January 13, and the literary exercises will consist of a mock trial of Benedict Arnold. Chaun-cey M. Depew will preside, and Henry W. Sackett, a member of Governor Black's military staff, will take the part of prosecuting attorney. There will be refreshments after the meeting.

THE STODDARD LECTURES.

The annual course of illustrated lectures by John L. Stoddard at Daly's Theatre will be a little later this year than usual. This, of course, is because Lent comes a little late. The series will begin on March L As usual, there will be a course for each day of the week, as follows: Course A. Mondays, March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29; Course B. Tuesdays, March 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30; Course C, Wednesdays, March 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31; Course D. Thursdays, March 4, 11, 18 and 25 and April 1; Course E. Fridays, March 5, herself and make the start, which would certainly be an awkward and inconvenient arrangement.

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second lecture, "Old England"; third lecture, "The Yellowstone National Park"; fourth lecture, "Old and New Russia"; fifth lecture, "Athens and Ven-

BRISK REALTY BUSINESS.

TRANSACTIONS OF THE LAST WEEK ON AN UNUSUALLY LARGE SCALE.

The transactions in real estate the last week were on the largest scale in many months. The total of the sales by private contract reported by brokers was \$3,050,000. The transfers were principally of business property. The demand for other kinds of property was rather slack. The sales of the week included the following:

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George Crocker, of California, purchased, through Price, McCormick & Co., the four and five story buildings at Nos. 70, 72 and 74 Broadway, running through to Nos. 9, 11 and 12 New-st., from William Alexander Smith and Peter Marie, for \$1,800,000. The present buildings occupy a plot having a frontage of 7.13 feet in Broadway and 67.11 in New-st. The plot is 119.4 feet deep on the south side and 112.5 feet deep on the north side, and contains about 7,000 square feet. The price per square foot, about \$228.50, is considered a remarkably good one by real estate men.

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Mrs. Nathaniel D. Higgins sold to William T. Hall & Sons the plot, 50x100, on the north side of Ninety-third-st., 100 feet east of West End-ave. The buyers will improve the property by the erection of two private dwellings.

Herman Wronkow sold to James A. Townsend, through C. B. Redhead, the new six-story business building, lot 25x100, on the sontheast corner of Mercer and Third sts., at \$175,000, taking in part payment the old Prospect Park Hotel property, at Catskill, N. Y., at a valuation of \$100,000.

R. H. Macdonaid sold for Mrs. Sarah Baldwin the four-story brownstone dwelling at No. 33 West Thirty-eighth-st., on piot 21.6x98.9, to a physician, who will occupy it after April 1. The price paid was \$55,000.

H. A. Jackson sold, through Edward P. Hamilton & Co., the property at No. 53 Spring-st., 25x94, just east of Broadway, at about \$55,000, to a builder, who will erect a modern business building in place of the present structure.

Henry Corn purchased the business property at No. 558 Broadway, 27.6x200, to Crosby-st., through Frederick Southack & Co., from the estate of A. Wood, for \$175,600. He will erect a twelve-story office building on the plot, in place of the present old structure.

Le J. Phillips & Co. sold No. 19 West Eighty-

In J. Phillips & Co. sold No. 19 West Eighty-third-st., a four-story dwelling, lot 29x102.2, for third-st., a four-story dwelling, lot 20x102.2, for Abraham Stern to Grace Ahrens. Crow & Taylor sold to a Mr. Bonner No. 536 West End-ave., a four-story private dwelling, lot 17.5x100. The house is one of a row of eight recently fin-

for \$58,990.

Charles Ruermann & Co. sold for Gross & Herbener, No. 1,505 Lexington-ave., a three-story double flathouse, 25x75x100, to George H. Witte

Herbener, No. 1,508 Lexington-ave., a three-story double flathouse, 25x75x100, to George H. Witte for \$25,500.

Daniel Birdsall & Co. sold No. 369 Pearl-st., north-west corner of Hague-st., for \$25,000, to a Mr. Prentice, who is said to represent the owner of the adjoining property.

M. E. Hewitt & Co. sold for E. S. Conkling, to an investor, the seven-story brick apartment-house, plot 40x100, No. 325 West Fifty-sixth-st, known as the Palisade, for \$114,000. The above brokerage firm also sold for R. McCauley No. 348 West Forty-sixth-st., a three-story brownstone high-stoop dwelling, lot 15.6x100, Astor leasehold, on private terms; also, for the same party, No. 169 West Forty-eighth-st., three-story brownstone dwelling, on lot 16.8x00, on private terms.

John Adamson, of Brooklyn, purchased through the D. & M. Chauncey Real Estate Company, of Brooklyn, associated with H. E. Barnes, of New-York, for about \$165,000 in cash, the northwest corner of Twenty-third-st, and Lexington-ave., a plot 50x100, occupied by a Baptist church, with a tenement-house in Lexington-ave, the church property being sold by the church and the Lexington-ave, apiot 50x100, occupied by a Baptist church, with a tenement-house in Lexington-ave, the church property being sold by the church and the Lexington-ave, alternmodel the church for religious purposes for the present, but it is his intention later to clear the whole plot and erect a modern apartment-house.

The Augusta Perry estate sold No. 183 Bowery, a five-story brownstone building, and the four-story brick building in the rear, No. 133 Chrystiest, and 22.7 feet deep.

Jasse C. Benrett sold for Joseph Lawrence No. 83 West One-hundred-and-third-st., five-story brownstone flathouse, 20x87x102, to an investor.

Following is the record of conveyances, mortages and buildings projected in New-York the last week, compared with the corresponding week in 1896.

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Amount involved \$3,702,906
Number at less than 5 per cent \$57
Amount involved \$1,583,500
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Total amount of buildings.
January 1 to date. \$667,200 76 \$465,200 HALF-CENTURY OF DARCY LODGE.

Craftsmen of high and low degree, prominent officials, past officers and Masons of all grades, will assemble at the Grand Central Palace, Lexington-ave. and Forty-third-st., Tuesday evening, to join in the festivities in honor of the fiftieth anniversary of Darcy Lodge No. 187, Free and Accepted Masons The affair will be of unusual interest. A souveni The affair will be of unusual interest. A souvenit to be distributed among the guests will contain an interesting history of Darcy Lodge. In 1847 a few energetic spirits from Independent Lodge founded Darcy Lodge, which, on January 19, 1847, received its dispensation, and as statistics prove it flourished with its sister lodges under the guidance of its first master, John Timson. On December 27, 1850, it had a standing of third on the list. It then received its present number, 187. In the fifty years of its existence Darcy Lodge created 674 Master Masons, and not one has ever been expelled for actions unbecoming a man and Mason. On the roster of Darcy Lodge are three contributing members who have been enrolled for the last forty-four years, having reached the high old age of four-score.

The Committee of Arrangements is in charge of P. M. George W. Boskowitz: on Hall, of Marx Fribourg: on Souvenir, M. Kolasky; on Printing, P. M. L. Welss; on Reception, W. Thomas W. Pomroy: on Floor, P. M. William A. Miller; on Music, Dominic Adams; on Invitation, P. M. Isidor H. Cohen; on Press, James Rascovar; on Badges, P. M. William H. Cranston: on Refreshments, Samuel Moiner; on Police, Thomas E. O'Brien.

The Lodge was named after that eminent Mason Past Grand Master, General John S. Darcy, of New-Jersey. to be distributed among the guests will contain an in-

AWARDED TO ROBERT E. PEARY.

The American Geographical Society has awarded to Civil Engineer Robert E. Peary, U. S. N., for his work in Greenland, the Cullom gold medal, which will be presented at its annual meeting on Tuesday evening. Mr. Peary is the first recipient of the medal, for which funds were provided by the late General George W. Cullom, U. S. A., vice-president of the Geographical Society.

LOWER WEST SIDE REVIVALS.

The Methodist churches on the lower West Side are engaged in a union evangelistic campaign. Services are held nightly in the following churches Bedford Street, Duane Street, Central Metropolitan, Jane Street, Perry Street and Washington Square. The pastors of these several churches rotate according to the old circuit system. The following are the preachers at these services from night to night: The Rev. Dr. C. Wright, the Rev. F. H. Carpenter, the Rev. S. P. Cadman, the Rev. Dr. F. J. Belcher, the Rev. Dr. Ell Quick and the Rev. W.

J. Belcher, the Rev. Dr. Ell Quick and the Rev. W. F. Anderson.
An afternoon service is held every day at 3:30 o'clock in the Bedford fitreet Church. Bishop Andrews and others have been present at these meetings in the last week. Commander Ballington Booth is to address the meeting one day in the coming week. The attendance at all these meetings has been large, and there is a deep and increasing interest among the people in this portion of the city.

DISMISSED POSTAL EMPLOYES TO FIGHT. H. C. Broas, of No. 1,454 Washington-ave., recently published a card asking all the Republican employes of the New-York Postoffice who were discharged in December, 1894, to communicate with him, and he has received a number of replies. He said yesterday that he expected to receive replies from all of the other men who were discharged on December 25, 1894. Forty-one men were discharged for political reasons on that day, Mr. Broas says, and he was one of the men. Most of the men had been in the employ of the Postoffice for years, and all were Republicans. In no case was the discharge based on any charge of misconduct, and no reason was given by the authorities. The object of Mr. Broas is to have the discharged men make a concerted effort to secure reinstatement and unite in a petition to the Postmaster-General. Several of the men are veterans. It is asserted that the men were removed to make room for Tammany mea who are still in the service of the Postoffice. December 26, 1894. Forty-one men were discharged for

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